

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 32, with the following rewritten paragraph:

According to one embodiment of the invention, the culture medium is gelled and comprises, per liter:

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| - peptones or a mixture of peptones | 0.01-40 g |
| - yeast extract | 0.01-40 g |
| - glucose (source of carbon) | 0-10 g |
| - phosphate buffer (pH between 5 and 8.5) | 2.5-100 mM |
| - 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl-N-acetyl- | |
| β -D-glucosaminide | <u>20-600 mM</u> <u>$20-600 \times 10^{-6} M$</u> |
| - acetamide | 0.01-20 g |
| - bacterial inhibitor | 0-20 g |
| - agar | 11-20 g. |